

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office action is responsive to Applicant's reply filed on July 7, 2008. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-12, 14-28, 30-33 and 38-42 are now pending.

Response to Amendment

2. The rejection of claims 1-3, 5, 7-12, 14-28, 30-33 and 38 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) has been withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendment.

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of the claims has been withdrawn as noted above.

Examiner's Amendment

4. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gregory R. Lunt (Reg. No. 57,354) on September 30, 2008.

5. The claims have been amended, as presented below, to address potential issues of non-statutory subject matter under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 22-27 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended)

at line 1, please replace "method" with --computer-implemented method--.

22. (Currently Amended)

at line 1, please replace "computer-readable medium" with --computer-readable storage medium--.

23. (Currently Amended)

at line 1, please replace "computer-readable medium" with --computer-readable storage medium--.

24. (Currently Amended)

at line 1, please replace “computer-readable medium” with --computer-readable storage medium--.

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26. (Currently Amended)

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27. (Currently Amended) A system for designing an application, comprising:

a processing unit;

a receiving module that receives an application type selection from a user, the application type including which type of application is to be dynamically generated;

a policy module that automatically selects a corresponding policy based on the received application type selection;

a construction module that dynamically constructs a user-interface in accordance with the policy, the policy including a set of rules for application stages and components, the constructing including:

creating a graphical representation of the application, the representation having at least one stage, each stage having at least one corresponding component;

receiving a user input indicating a selection of one or more components that are to be incorporated into the application;

determining that the user-selected components are in accordance with the automatically selected policy corresponding to the application type; and

compiling the representation of the application including the user-selected components in accordance with the automatically selected policy; and

an application creation module that creates an application through the user-interface based on the compiled representation.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-12, 14-28, 30-33 and 38-42 are allowed.
7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record does not teach or reasonably suggest, in the combinations and in such manner as recited in independent claims 1, 27 and 38, receiving an application type selection from a user and a user input indicating a selection of one or more components that are to be incorporated into an application to be dynamically generated, determining that the user-selected components are in accordance with an automatically selected policy corresponding to the application type, and compiling a graphical representation of the application including the user-selected components in accordance with the automatically selected policy, such as reflected in Applicant's arguments (see Applicant's remarks, pages 10-12).

8. Any comments that Applicant considers necessary must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael J. Yigdall whose telephone number is 571-272-3707. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Q. Dam can be reached on 571-272-3695. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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